

## Parental Communication & Engagement



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### Message from Headteacher

This week saw our Student Executive Leadership Team receive their blazers and/or ties/badges. This is a great achievement for all of the pupils who gained a position on the team and we are excited to see how they progress and develop in their new roles, as they take on their extra responsibilities and act as ambassadors for our core values.

Our Year 10 Netball Team played Ellowes Hall and won 26 - 8 and player of the match was Melodeii Trowers. Our Year 9 Netball Team played Bishop Millner who are usually unbeatable and they smashed it winning a whopping 17 - 2. Hollie Halford was player of the match again!

Our Year 7 Boys had their first football match on Wednesday and lost in the last minute sadly, but they were an absolute credit to the school and were all cheering each other on which was lovely to see and hear! We currently have about 60 students turn up for training each week which is amazing!

We have also had around 90 MyTutor sessions this week. Year 11 are really working their socks off at the moment and we are all really proud of them.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Open Evening last night. The school was buzzing with excitement! The feedback from prospective parents/carers about our wonderful students has been humbling and all of the staff are just so proud of them.

Best wishes.

**Mrs Sutton**  
Headteacher

### Key Letters/Information Sent Out Recently

The vast majority of all letters are now emailed home and we use electronic reply slips as much as possible. The criterion for 'selected student only' opportunities are based on various factors depending on the trip and its focus. Unfortunately, we are unable to allow every student the opportunity to be involved with every activity which we understand sometimes causes disappointment. If you require more details about the selection process for any opportunity please contact the event organiser.

- Year 10 Christmas Carol Theatre Trip Letter *\*Selected Year 10 students only. Hard copy only!*
- Year 10 Art & Textiles Trip Oxford Letter;

- New York Trip Menu Choice Letter;
- New York Trip Menu Choice Letter 2.

## Events/Reminders

- New York Trip Menu Deadlines - Monday 21 October 2024;
- Year 11 King Edward VI College - Wednesday 23 October 2024 at 3.20pm in PLC;
- Year 7 Targeted Parents/Carers Evening - Thursday 24 October 2024 at 6.00pm;
- Black History Celebration Day - Friday 24 October 2024;
- House Arts showcase Auditions - Friday 25 October 2024.

## Updates

### HELP - FoDC Volunteers Needed!

As you may know, Friends of Dormston Community (FoDC) are made up of a group of parents/carers who like to put on nice events for the benefit of students. As students have left their numbers have started to dwindle so they are now desperately seeking NEW parents/carers to join them. You can get involved as little or as much as you like, so if you would like to know more please contact [kotton@dormston.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:kotton@dormston.dudley.sch.uk) or call 01384 816395.



### Anti-Bullying Week - WC Monday 11 November 2024

Anti-Bullying Week 2024 will take place from Monday 11 - Friday 15 November 2024, with the theme: Choose Respect. Just like lots of schools across the country, we will be taking part, this year and we will be empowering children and young people to choose respect.

### Odd Socks Day - Tuesday 12 November 2024

Odd Socks Day is taking place on Tuesday 12 November, with adults and children being encouraged to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. As part of this we are asking for donations of odd socks to be bought into school to help us to create 'sock bunting' to show our support against bullying. If any donations could be left in the odd socks box located in the atrium each morning that would be greatly appreciated!

## Congratulations/Well Done

### Dormston Reading Award



Well done to Kyra-Leigh Cox - 9TY and Imogen Rose - 11TY who have completed the Dormston Reading Award by reading 150 books to date. Their names are now proudly displayed on the Reading Award Roll of Honour Board in the PLC. Congratulations to both students! Students can take part in this reading award at any time. Please simply visit the PLC to sign up!